

(Date 15 March 1946)

(I, Vincente de Leon Chamorro, I. D. No. 2667, Labor No. C-884, do hereby make the following statement) to the _____ freely and voluntarily, without coercion, with the full realization that such statement made may be used as evidence against me.

(I was born on the 9th October 1898 in Garapan, Saipan. Since the age of 7 I entered the Public German School up to the age of 16, when I was graduated in April 1913. On December 1913, I was send to Yap to the German Dutch Cable & Co. to work at the station as a Operator.) During August 1914, the World War I broke out, and met then in Yap, the landings of the Japanese Navy in October 7, 1914. I miss my job as a Operator, and was turned back to Saipan in February 1915. Since then I work at my father's farm in helping my father supporting us, up to the time when I got married at the age of 25. My job is still a farmer, when in 1937 I was choosed as a foreman by order of the Chamorroan Administration, to go with a party of 30 natives to work at the underground tanks installations at Tanapag Harbor for 3 month. There were 6 underground tanks (4 big ones and 2 small). Each tank of the big size are approximately 1200 Feet round. We are informed by the authority that we chamorros to have to carry some jobs; because a war might happen in the very near future, and these installations must be done before too late, those tanks when completed are to be filled with oil and gasoline, for the ships that have to come in Saipan. We are informed to keep the words very secret. Anybody who tells such things must be punished by the authority. The deepness of each of such tanks are 50 feet. The concrete around each tank are 3 feet thick and iron planks are riveted in concrete. Iron planks and concrete were used for roofing. In the inside of such tanks there were iron posts constructed to hold the roof. Many pipelines were constructed in connection of all the tanks. A big pipeline were crossing from the tanks to the pier. Plants and trees were used as camouflage. The location of such tanks are between what is now Hot Plant No. 3 and Pipe Plant. At the beginning of the year 1939, the Chamorroan Administration are informed from the authority to conscript labor to send to Kainan to "(Marcus Is.) for another installation for a plane base. The laborers have to be send over there for a three month period. Another bunch of laborers were send at the beginning of 1940. The wages are \$1.50 per day and is under the Japanese Naval Operations.

There were installed gun placements in 1939 here in Saipan (AAA Battery behind the Japanese Naval Headquarters in Garapan, several coastal defenses guns in Larhan, Naftan Point, Agingan Point and Mirshot Point). On the Island in front of Tanapag Harbor were also installed a gun placement (Mariagasa). In every gun placement were Navy personnel attached. (Units of the Shikata Butai).
Shikata

I have written all the foregoing material on this page.

/s/ Vincente de Leon Guerrero

I swear that I am familiar with both the English language and the _____ language and that before the above statement was signed I read same in the _____ language to the person who signed same.

WITNESS /s/ Charles D. Cook

Eng. D (L) USNR

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

16th day of March, 1946.

Theodore M. Adelson, Lt. (JG) USNR
Legal Officer, U. S. Naval Military Government,
Saipan, M. I.

昭和二十一年三月十五日

私「ヒルセニテイ・テリオリ・グエ」に認識票第三三三二労働番号
第八四號以下、如ク是ニ申立テス。

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私一九二八年十月九日「サイバ」クラブニ出テモリ。十六才に達
逸公立学校ニ入学。一九三三年四月卒業シタ。一九三三年十二月私
「ヤブ」独逸和蘭海底電線会社ニ其処テ技術トシ働ク為ニヤシ
タ。一九三五年二月「サイバ」ニ戻サシタ。以来私ハ父、農場デ働キ
私ガ二十五才テ結婚ス。父ガ我ヲ養フニキルテ手助ケシタ。私ハ仕事
ハ尚百姓デシタ。一九三七年「シヤモ」行政府ノ命令ニ依リ、職工長ニ
昇ル。タバ「港」ニ於ケル地下油槽設備ニ三月間働ク為ニ三千名原
住民、一行ト共ニ出タシタ。其処ニハ、二箇、地下油槽ガアリシタ。又
四ノ小ニハ大油槽、各々ハ周圍約一〇メートルアリマス。当局クハ我々
「シヤモ」人ガ若干、仕事ヲ負担セオベナラヌトシ、ハ、戦争ガ直クモ
起ルモ知レヌ。此等、設備ハ間ニ合フ様ニヤリ終ラナケレナラヌ
タ。此ハシタ。コナ、油槽ハ完成シタ。曉ニハ油ト「カリリ」テ杯ニサレタ
デハ「サイバ」ニ来ル艦船、為ニタ。我々ハ其ノ言葉ヲ極ク秘密ニシ置
クヤウガシタ。

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斯ル事ヲ語ル者ハ誰デモ、当局ニヨリテ處刑サレオベナリマデシタ。
此、油槽、深サハ一メートル。各油槽、周圍「コンクリート」ハ厚サ三
「メートル」デ鉄板ガ「コンクリート」中ニ鎮接サレオリマス。

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鉄板ト「コンクリート」トガ屋根覆ニ用ヒラシテ居リマス。此、油槽、内部
ハ屋根ヲ支ヘル為ニ建テラシタ。鉄柱ガアリシタ。多ク、送油管ガ凡テ
油槽、連終ニ造ラレタアリシタ。一本、大キク送油管ガ油槽カマ
頭迄、横切リタアリシタ。草木ガ偽装用ニ用ヒラシテ居シタ。此等油

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槽、位置は現在「ホト」の下「第三號」ト云モト、輸送管工場ト
ノ間ニアリヌ。一九三九年、当初「シヤマ」行政府、労働者ヲ徴
用シテ「海南島」(マカス島)ニ他、飛行基地設備、高工送ル様
ニ當局カラ命令サシタ。労働者ハ三月、期間ノタラニ送ラセバ
モデタ。一九四〇年、始メニ他、一隊、労働者ガ送ラシタ。報酬
ハ二圓五。或テ日本海軍、作業ニ居リタ。一九三九年比
「カイバ」ニ砲床ガ据エシタ。
「カウバ」日本海軍司令部、背後ニ高射砲台「カウバ」
「カウバ」岬「カウバ」岬「カウバ」岬等ニ幾ツカ、海軍防禦砲
「カウバ」港前面、島ニ一個、砲床ガ据エシタ。(マカサ)
ド、砲床モ海軍、人員ク配属サシテ居リタ。(采田部隊、看テタ)